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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JANUARY 30, 2001

APPLICATION OF

MOUNTAINET TELEPHONE
COMPANY

CASE NO. PUC000286

For amendment of its certificate
of public convenience and necessity
to provide local exchange
telecommunications services and
for a certificate of public
convenience and necessity to
provide interexchange
telecommunications services

FINAL ORDER

On October 23, 2000, MountaiNet Telephone Company ("MountaiNet" or "Company") filed an application with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") to amend its certificate of public convenience and necessity for local exchange telecommunications services to provide local exchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. MountaiNet also applied for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for interexchange telecommunications services to provide interexchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Company also requested authority to price its interexchange telecommunications services on a competitive basis pursuant to § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia.

In MountaiNet Telephone Company, Case No. PUC000135, Final Order of October 19, 2000, the Commission granted the Company a certificate of public convenience and necessity, No. T-510, to provide local exchange telecommunications services in the counties of Lee, Wise, Dickenson, Russell, Smyth, and that portion of Scott County that is presently served by Sprint. In this application, MountaiNet seeks expanded authority to provide local exchange telecommunications services throughout Virginia.

By Order dated November 17, 2000, as amended by Order dated December 1, 2000, the Commission directed the Company to provide notice to the public of its application and directed the Commission Staff to conduct an investigation and file a Staff Report on MountaiNet's application.

On January 22, 2001, the Staff filed its Report finding that MountaiNet's application was in compliance with the Rules Governing the Offering of Competitive Local Exchange Telephone Service ("Local Rules") and the Rules Governing the Certification of Interexchange Carriers ("IXC Rules"). Based upon its review of MountaiNet's application, the Staff determined it would be appropriate to grant the Company an amended certificate to provide local exchange telecommunications services and a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services.

The Company filed its proofs of publication and service on January 16, 2001. The Commission received no comments or request for hearing on MountainNet's application for an amended certificate to provide local exchange telecommunications services. No objections or comments were filed on the application for a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services.

NOW THE COMMISSION, having considered the application and the Staff Report, finds that the Company should be granted a certificate to provide local exchange telecommunications services and a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services. Having considered § 56-481.1, the Commission further finds that the Company may price its interexchange telecommunications services competitively.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) Certificate of public convenience and necessity No. T-510 to provide local exchange telecommunications services granted the Company in MountainNet Telephone Company, Case No. PUC000135, Final Order of October 19, 2000, is cancelled and reissued as Certificate No. T-510a to provide local exchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia subject to the restrictions set forth in the Commission's Rules Governing the Offering of Competitive Local

Exchange Telephone Service, § 56-265.4:4 of the Code of Virginia, and the provisions of this Order.

(2) MountaiNet Telephone Company is hereby granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity, No. TT-131A, to provide interexchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia subject to the restrictions set forth in the Commission's Rules Governing the Certification of Interexchange Carriers, § 56-265.4:4 of the Code of Virginia, and the provisions of this Order.

(3) The Company shall provide tariffs to the Division of Communications that conform to all applicable Commission rules and regulations.

(4) Pursuant to § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia, the Company may price its interexchange telecommunications services competitively.

(5) There being nothing further to come before the Commission, this case shall be dismissed and the papers filed herein placed in the file for ended causes.